

OUR GARBAGE CAN FATTEST IN THE WORLD

Declares Senator Smoot in Debating Subject of Preparedness in Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—"The American garbage can is the fattest in all the world," declared Senator Smoot to the Senate today, injecting into the subject of preparedness a plea for preparedness for good housekeeping and better homes. Senator Smoot urged action on his bill for increased appropriations for home economics "to prepare the girls and mothers of the country for their life duties."

"If I had a dozen daughters and was able to give to each of them a million dollars the day of their marriage, I would still want each to each to know how to cook, make her own clothes and in fact be a superior housekeeper," said the senator.

"It is a crime and it is wicked in the sight of God to have the products of the farm made next to useless by poor cooking. Tens of thousands of homes are ruined by helpless and ignorant housekeepers and the American garbage can is the fattest in all the world." In a short investigation, the senator said, he found domestic science was not taught in any one of six nationally known colleges for women which he named. "And in nearly all of these schools," said he, "four years of preparatory Latin are positively required."

GERMANY

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Officially tonight, as being placed in the Position of a Judge of a court of law. Upon the evidence of a decision will be reached, and the United States will be absolutely sure that it stands upon firm ground before rendering one. The final decision will be rendered by President Wilson. It is likely that if drastic action is called for Congress will be consulted.

While it would be difficult for the United States to question the good faith of Germany, the administration is Prepared to Act upon circumstantial evidence of sufficient strength should it be secured.

All the evidence thus far obtained indicates that the Sussex was torpedoed. There are two weaknesses in the case of the United States at this time, however. One is that no American citizen saw the wake of a torpedo before the bow of the channel steamer was torn off by an explosion. The other is, that, while American naval officers declare that the pieces of metal removed from the hull are parts of a German torpedo, there is, so far as is known, no conclusive evidence at this time that the metal fragments actually were removed from the Sussex. Every effort is being made to secure evidence which will establish beyond all doubt the origin of the fragments.

Official Reports Lacking. Official reports regarding the announcement of the German government, as cabled to the United States in press despatches from Berlin, were lacking tonight. The press report was accepted as being true.

The news despatches were laid before President Wilson, upon his return from his trip down the Potomac. In all quarters it was agreed that the United States would be obliged to move deliberately. The opinion prevailed that action by the United States would be retarded rather than hastened by the German declaration.

Many Others Remain. It is known that the administration had considered it highly probable that action in the situation brought about by the numerous recent marine disasters might be based primarily upon the case of the Sussex, regarded as the most aggravated of all. Should the United States fail to make out a case on the Sussex, however, there remains many other disasters to be explained by the Berlin government.

Inquire about Others. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing have asked Ambassador Gerard regarding other ships recently meeting with disaster. It is considered that Germany by this time would be able to report in regard to those whose experiences occurred before the Sussex case.

Immediately upon its arrival, the information carried by the St. Paul will be placed before President Wilson and Secretary Lansing. Of first importance among the documents expected are affidavits taken from American and other survivors of the Sussex disaster.

It is understood this statement is made in various of the documents that officers of the ship and possibly passengers, other than Americans, saw the Wake of a Torpedo.

It is also possible that there are included in the documents affidavits regarding the finding of the alleged torpedo fragments.

Secretary Lansing has allowed it to

become known that statements regarding the finding of the fragments might be accepted by the United States should there be sufficient corroboration. The state department probably will Proceed Very Cautiously in that regard, recalling that in the case of the Hesperian a fragment, said by American naval officers to have been a part of a torpedo, was declared by a member of the crew to have been picked up on the ship. Germany denied that any of its submarines had attacked the Hesperian, and when representatives of the United States abroad sought the affidavit maker he had disappeared. Consequently the United States was unable to take any action, and the case of the Hesperian never had been settled.

A number of statements regarding the finding of the metal fragments aboard the Sussex are understood to have been secured by the American embassies in Paris and London. Officials are eager to examine their contents.

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was said to have been destroyed by Villa followers.

American Arrested. Passengers on the train said they had been told this story in Chihuahua City by Americans arriving from the south. They also said that one of the American aviators who had landed near Chihuahua City early yesterday was arrested by the Carranza authorities but was later released on the representation of Consul Fletcher. The fact that the war department's orders to the punitive expedition as made public today, contain no reference to the "kill or capture" of Villa and state that the object of the pursuit will be accomplished when Villa's band or bands are broken up with received with undisputed pleasure by the Mexican officials in Juarez and El Paso.

"This news comes at an opportune time," commented General Gaviola at his Juarez headquarters.

"Evidently the killing or capture of Villa is considered merely incidental to the pursuit," was the observation of Mexican Consul Andreas Garcia. "This announcement puts a different view on the situation. It means that the United States troops will not consider it necessary To Pursue Villa to the end of the earth or keep up the hunt indefinitely after their object of smashing Villa as a military power has been accomplished."

Villa bands were reported operating in the neighborhood of Satevo by General Gutierrez, commandant at Chihuahua, in a telegram today to General Gaviola. He said that General Suarez Garza and Maldonado were advancing against the rear guard, right and left flanks, respectively.

Local Leaders Held. An official of the defacto government said today that five men, now prisoners in Juarez, are being held as the local leaders of the frustrated plot to capture the town while the Mexican government is a wealthy refugee in Texas. The five leaders have confessed in the hope of leniency, he said. The plot, according to these confessions, said the official, was aimed at Americans. During the band concert in the Plaza last Sunday evening, which it was safe to surmise, would be attended by all classes, including the soldiers on duty, the conspirators had intended to open fire on all Americans in sight and immediately rush the barracks and seize the arms. They were then to Attack the American Patrol at the international bridge and other points. Their object was said to be no so much to overthrow the Carranza regime as to force American intervention, which the conspirators believed would end the Carranza regime and restore peace with guarantees of security of property, including the great estates, now confiscated.

Some apprehension was felt by the people of Juarez today by a report circulated among some supposedly Villa sympathizers that Wilson intended to take the Mexican railways by force if permission for their use were refused by Carranza. Secretary Baker, who was at the war department until late tonight, seemed even more optimistic after reading the evening's despatches from the border. He gave out none of the information transmitted by General Funston, but indicated strongly that his hope for an early capture of Villa had been increased by the despatches.

TASK NOT YET FINISHED DECLARES MAJ. FUNSTON

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 8.—Gratification was manifest today at General Funston's headquarters when it was learned that Secretary of State Lansing and Secretary of War Baker had denied the United States government was contemplating withdrawing American troops from the pursuit of Francisco Villa in Mexico.

General Funston does not regard the task set him of breaking up "Villa's band or bands" as accomplished, it was learned today. The only Question of Doubt created under the terms of his orders it was said, rests in the part that provides for the removal of the troops whenever the soldiers of the defacto government "are able to relieve them of this work." That is a phase

of the situation army officers here do not discuss.

The net result of the three weeks' campaign against Villa is the killing of more than 150 of Villa's men and the extension of a line of American troops approximately four hundred miles into Mexico. Villa's organization so far as army officers here know. He has divided it into smaller units and one of these was attacked and defeated at Guerrero, but there is evidence that the fugitive chieftain, although perhaps wounded and possibly traveling in a stretcher, as stated in some reports that have reached here, is yet directing in a general way their movements. General Pershing's reports, infrequent, to headquarters continued throughout the week to indicate the optimism of himself and his officers that they Soon Would Overtake Villa or his main force, but none has indicated that he regarded his task as accomplished.

Instead of anticipating an early withdrawal of the troops, General Funston has planned to stimulate the chase, and in order to do this, has daily watched for advances from Washington that Carranza at last has made it possible to use without restriction at least one of the railroads extending south from Juarez. Failure to get this right, however, and realization of the impracticability of maintaining the four hundred mile line from Columbus to the extreme front below Satevo, caused General Funston and his staff to consider seriously the establishment of a new base at some point on the border nearer the field operations, perhaps, Ojinaga, and from there the running south of a line of communication. Unofficially it was intimated that such a change of base would be suggested to the war department, unless permission for the use of the railroad was received soon.

No Uneasiness Displayed. Little of what was transpiring south of Chihuahua was known at General Funston's headquarters today, but no uneasiness was displayed and increased confidence was manifested. This confidence was not at all altogether a matter of belief that the Americans would be able to overtake Villa, but to the co-operation of Carranza's forces, who were reported officially by agents of the Mexican government to have occupied strategic positions in the path Villa was reported to be following.

If the thousands of men Carranza is said to have scattered through the territory in front of Villa, can check him in his flight, the belief that General Pershing's troops, it was believed, might do their part in bringing him to a stand.

Pershing Goes South. General Pershing was officially reported to have left his temporary headquarters on the San Geronimo Ranch and gone south towards Satevo, south of which the greater part of the tenth cavalry is operating. Colonel W. C. Brown, at the head of those troops, known to be searching every trail and investigating every story as to the whereabouts of Villa or his followers. Supporting forces have been moved forward along the line of communication.

Trailers were put in service behind the automobile trucks today, in an effort to increase the volume of the search by six thousand mules and horses and more than that many men.

WOMAN'S QUICK WIT BLOCKS A SMUGGLE

Of Four Chinese into This Country from the Canadian Border.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) ALBANY, April 8.—Quick wit of a woman ticket seller on a toll bridge aided federal officers today in blocking an alleged plot to smuggle four Chinese into the country.

Because of advice that a party of Chinese were being taken secretly from the Canadian border to New York City, Chinese Inspector Albert B. Wiley and Deputy Revenue Collector William Scott were scrutinizing closely every automobile that passed down Broadway today. A touring car aroused their suspicions and they followed it in another automobile. As the machine turned into the Greenbush bridge spanning the Hudson river, Inspector Wiley ordered the chauffeur of the suspicious car to stop. The car was halted but the driver would not shut off his engine. Mrs. William Chambers, ticket agent of the toll bridge, seeing from the window of her office that something was wrong, signalled to the draw tender and the bridge was opened, halting the car.

The four Chinese, with their queues cut off and their faces stained to give them the appearance of mulattoes, were found under a pile of gunnysacks in the rear of the car. In default of \$10,000 bail, they were sent to jail.

SNOWSWEEP

Is Northern Part of Ohio and the Storm Continue with Increased Intensity.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) CLEVELAND, O., April 8.—Northern Ohio was swept by a heavy snowstorm today, which increased in intensity tonight. At Youngstown eight inches of snow fell by 8 p. m., the falling continuing. While the temperature dropped, the cold was not intense and the storm did not assume the proportions of a blizzard. Traffic was not particularly hampered.

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cerned in the plot; Moran is known to have given the name of at least one accomplice.

The robbery in which Moran is said to have admitted he had part, occurred here February 26, when four packages of registered mail were removed from an automobile truck while in transit on a ferry boat from the Communipaw, N. J., station of the Central Railroad of New Jersey to Liberty street, New York.

The packages, three of which were from Washington, D. C., and one from Baltimore, Md., were stolen from mail pouches.

PURSUIT

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ington as credible.

For over a week it has been reported here that additional Carranza troops were on their way to Juarez and General Gaviola, the present commander in the Mexican town was to be superseded.

A statement from Mexican sources tonight declared that General Gaviola had received orders to proceed to Casas Grandes to take a field command and that he would be succeeded by General Petronillo Hernandez. General Hernandez was said to be having en route at Villa Ahumada with three thousand men. Villa Ahumada is half way between Juarez and Chihuahua City.

STAGE FIRE

In a London Fire Results in the Death of Five Child Performers There.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, April 8, 2:50 a. m.—Five children performers were burned to death on the stage of the Garrick theater at Hereford, Friday night. It was a children's entertainment to provide comfort for the soldiers. The audience was departing when the cry was raised. Many in the audience were crushed in the ensuing panic, but none seriously injured. The fire was confined to the stage.

In addition to those burned to death, several were seriously injured.

AT 59 WIDOW LEADS BOY OF 18 TO ALTAR

Obstacles Raised by Respective Mother-in-Law Swept Aside by Cupid.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 8.—Despite the efforts of his mother to stop the ceremony, Fred De Hart, 18 years old, was married to Mrs. Marie Miller, a widow 59 years old.

De Hart's mother, who lives at Milltown, got word that a marriage was planned. As the pair were about to be united, the mother of the bridegroom burst into the Miller home and forbade the ceremony. The minister, the Rev. Clarence Parrish, hesitated, and Mrs. De Hart told him to wait. She then went to the police and asked that the wedding be stopped, but they said they were unable to help her. The clergyman, who had accompanied her to police headquarters, then returned and performed the ceremony.

The mother said the boy had no means of support, but the bride said that she would look out for that.

WORLD'S

Indoor Record is Made in the Pole Vault in Chicago.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) EVANSTON, Ill., April 8.—A world's indoor record was made in the pole vault at the central American Athletic Union meet tonight by Ed Knaurek, of the Illinois Athletic Club, when he cleared a 12 foot, 10 1/4 inches. The old mark made by Gold, of Wisconsin last year was 12 feet, 8 3/4 inches.

FOUR WOUNDED.

MONTGOMERY CITY, Mo., April 8.—George Lorton, aged 62, his sons, Walter and James, and Henry Utter, a constable's deputy, were seriously wounded here today when Constable R. L. Cowell and his assistant attempted to take possession of the farm on which the Lortons were living as tenants. Twenty-five shots were fired in the battle.

BAILEY RELEASED.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Pitcher Bill Bailey, of the Chicago National League club, was released today by President Charles Weeghman. It was announced later that by an arrangement with Roger Bresnahan, of the Toledo club of the American Association, the pitcher would play with that club this season.

Mrs. Charles D. Sturm, of the Sturm millinery store, went to New York on No. 12 Saturday night to purchase spring millinery.

ELIHU ROOT

Is Much Obligated and Grateful for the Good Opinion of a Number of Fellows.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WASHINGTON, April 8.—"I am much obliged to the gentlemen and I am grateful for their good opinion," was the only comment Elihu Root would make today upon the address issued in New York last night by seventy-four prominent citizens favoring his nomination for president.

Mr. Root, here for a meeting of the executive committee of the American Bar Association, said he did not intend to go to the Chicago convention.

MILLER DEFEATED

By State Chairman Mitchell for Delegate to the Republican National Convention.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WILMINGTON, Del., April 8.—Returning from the state-wide Republican primary held today to elect delegates to the state convention, which will name six delegates and six alternates, indicated that Edmund Mitchell, state chairman of the party, had defeated Governor Charles R. Miller for national delegate. The convention will be held at Dover on Tuesday. United States Senator Dupont will be one of the national delegates. The delegates to the convention are not instructed.

FREEMAN DIES

At His Home at Pasadena, Calif., as Result of Malignant Malaria.

PASADENA, Calif., April 8.—James Allen Freeman, treasurer of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association and head of the Freeman-Smith Lumber Company, which has branches throughout the South, died at his home here today, from malignant malaria. He is survived by a widow and two daughters. Mr. Freeman formerly was president of the Southern Lumbermen's Association. He was 68 years old.

A. L. Hughes, of St. Albans, is a city visitor.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Brooks and daughter, Miss Helen, of Baltimore, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Brooks. Mr. Brooks holds a responsible position with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

William K. Thompson, of Bridgeport, was here Saturday evening. James A. Tucker, of Buckhannon, is a visitor in the city.

H. C. Sanderson, of Elkins, is a guest at the Hotel Gora.

R. W. Leonard is here from Grafton.

Frank Singleton, of Burnsville, is a visitor here.

C. D. Coleman, of Buckhannon, is in the city on a brief visit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Kelley, of Wallace, are visiting in the city.

Frank Hefner is here from Burnsville.

Mrs. Percy Byrd has returned from Grafton, where she visited at the home of her father, Patrick Hayden.

OLDEST MASON DIES.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WHEELING, April 8.—William Wallace, aged 94, died at his home here today. He was one of the oldest residents in Ohio county, and was probably the oldest Mason in the state. He was never ill until three days ago.

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We want all Union men to do their duty by turning out and help make this meeting a great success.

All non-union men and women who work for a living are especially invited to attend these meetings and are advised to come early so as to get seats before union men arrive, as we wish them to learn of the great benefits to be derived from organization.

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